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SUBJECT: AUGUST 1 EA PRESS SUMMARY

1. KOREA/JAPAN

PM MIKI SAID ON TV THURSDAY WILL CONVEY MESSAGE TO PRES FORD THAT NK SEEING OPEN DIRECT CONTACTS WITH US TO DISCUSS KOREAN UNIFICATION. MESSAGE REPORTED TO MIKI WEDNESDAY BY SPECIAL ENVOY LDP DIETMAN UTSUNOMIYA, WHOM HE SENT TO NK TO MEET KIM IL-SUNG (WP; REUTER, TOKYO).

UTSUNOMIYA MET KIM IL-SUNG FIVE HOURS, JULY 15, SAID KIM OPPOSES SIMULTANEOUS ENTRY BOTH KOREANS INTO UN, ASKED JAPAN HELP ARRANGE DIRECT TALKS WITH US (NYT SPECIAL, TOKYO).

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YATES (CHITRIB) CITES UTSUNOMIYA SAYING NK WISHES
CHANGE ARMISTICE INTO FULL PEACE ACCORD, MUTUAL ARMS
REDUCTION IN KOREA, TROOP CUT TO 100,000 MEN ON EACH
SIDE, PEACEFUL REUNIFICATION. QUOTES UTSUNOMIYA SAYING
IDEA NK WANTS STABILIZE CONDITIONS WITH PEACE ACCORD
"NOT CONSIDERED MERE PROPAGANDA BY ALL AMERICANS TODAY."

2. KOREA

RENEWED ROK BID FOR UN MEMBERSHIP WENT TO UNSC THURSDAY,
AS DIP SOURCES PREDICTED BODY WILL MEET WITHIN TWO
WEEKS TO CONSIDER CANDIDACY OF TWO VIETNAMS. UNDER
ROTATIONAL SYSTEMS JAPAN'S AMB SAITO SERVING AS
UNSC PRESIDENT DURING AUGUST (REUTER, NYT).

3. INDOCHINA

LAOTIANS CONTINUE ANTI-US ACTIONS (WP); REBUFF ENTRY
AP'S GRAY, NYT'S ANDELMAN (WSJ; CSM; WP); REFUSE PERMIT
EMBASSY SHIP PERSONAL PROPERTY OF DEPARTED US EMPLOYEES
OUT OF COUNTRY, WITH SOME ITEMS BEING PILFERED (CSM;
CHITRIB; WP). GOVT SAID WILL NOT SELL POSTAGE DEPICTING
12 US PRESIDENTS; EXPLAIN COMMEMORATING US BICENTENNIAL
NOT AUTHORIZED, STAMPS SHOW NO NATL CHARACTER. US
OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON SAY FUTURE RELS IN DELICATE
STATE, DEPEND UPON HOW MUCH HARASSMENT CONTINUES; SOME
ARGUE EMBASSY SHOULD BE CLOSED DOWN.

CABINET DECIDES REMOVE ALL VIENTIANE-SIDE OFFICERS FROM
JOINT POLICE FORCE; PL MEMBERS WILL REMAIN (WP).

POSTAL SERVICE ANNOUNCES REGULAR AIRMAIL SERVICE TO
SVN WILL RESUME AUG 4 (AP, NYDN). FORMER US FM STATION
SAIGON BACK ON AIR WITH MUSIC, NEWS. FIRST COURT-MARTIAL
UNDER NEW GOVT CONVICTS 6 OF ARMED ROBBERY, SENTENCES
1 TO DEATH BY FIRING SQUAD; EXECUTION CARRIED OUT
WITHIN MINUTES OF SENTENCE (UPI, WP). PRG SENIOR
OFFICIAL SAYS NO ACCOUNTING FOR MIAS IN SVN UNTIL US
COMES UP WITH AID MONEY (UPI SAIGON).

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4. INDOCHINA REFUGEES

FED PROGRAM TEACH REFUGEES "SURVIVAL ENGLISH," HOW TO
COPE WITH US LIFESTYLES, BEGINS AT PENDLETON WITH
VOLUNTEER TEACHERS (AP, CSM).

5. INDONESIA

AIR EXPRESS INTL ANNOUNCES AIRFREIGHT FORWARDING SERVICES TO JAKARTA IN STEP TO SERVE SEA BETTER (JOC).

5. HONG KONG

HK'S 6-MONTH EXPORT FIGURES SHOW 14.5 PCT DROP OVER LAST YEAR. UNOFFICIAL SIGNS OF EXPORT UPTURN NOTED, BUT STATISTICS REFLECT NO RECENT OPTIMISM (STRAUSS, JOC).

6. CHINA

ROC SOURCES QUOTE "RELIABLE INTELLIGENCE SOURCE" THAT MAO CRITICALLY ILL FOR PAST 3 WKS, UNDER "INTENSIVE CARE OF 5 PHYSICIANS" (UPI, WP).

HARSCH (CSM) IN HELSINKI REPORTS PRC OBSERVERS WORRIED SECURITY CONFERENCE WILL REDUCE WESTERN PRESSURE ON SOVIET'S EUROPEAN FLANK, LETTING MOSCOW CONCENTRATE MORE ON IMPROVING ITS ASIA POSITION (IN USIA WIRELESS FILE).

PRC ENTERS FINAL TESTING STAGE OF LIMITED-RANGE ICBM, WHICH COULD REACH MOSCOW. DEVELOPED MISSILE EXPECTED HAVE NUKE WARHEAD, WITH INSTALLATION LIKELY IN UNDER-GROUND SILOS NEAR SINKIANG. SOME REPORTS INDICATE PRC PLANNING USE SATELLITE-LAUNCHING FOR ESTABLISHING REGIONAL COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS, LINKING REMOTE CHINESE COMMUNITIES WITH PEKING (GATLAND, CSM).

HELSINKI DEPT STORE CLEARS UP T-SHIRT MYSTERY: THOSE SOLD BEARING CONFERENCE'S ACRONYM MADE IN PRC (WHICH OPPOSES CONFERENCE); BUT INITIALS STAMPED IN FINLAND. SALESGIRL EXPRESSES HOPE PRC "DOESN'T FIND OUT WHAT WE DO TO THEIR SHIRTS" (UPI, WP).

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JAPAN EXPECTED IMPORT NEARLY 50 MIL TONS CRUDE OIL YEARLY FROM PRC BY 1980. TOKYO REFINERY EXEC SAYS AMOUNT IMPORTED DEPENDS UPON PEKING'S TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT, IMPROVED TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS (JOC).

LO JUI-CHING, FORMER PLA GENERAL STAFF CHIEF, MAKES FIRST PUBLIC APPEARANCE SINCE 1967. NCNA DID NOT MENTION FORMER MILITARY LEADER'S PRESENT POSITION (REUTER; SMITH, UPI, GLOBE).

TAIWAN DOMESTIC AIRLINES CRASHED 7/31 DURING LANDING AT-TEMPT AT TAIPEI INTL AIRPORT. AT LEAST 27 KILLED, INCLUDING US COUPLE; 48 INJURED (UPI WP, NYT, NYDN, WSJ, PHINQ).

7. JAPAN

DOS SAYS SECSTATE, MIYAZAWA TO SIGN NEW ENVIRONMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT DURING MIKI VISIT TO WASHINGTON NEXT WEEK (UPI, NYDN).

HIROSHIMA CITY OFFICIALS THURSDAY RELEASED AUG 10, 1945, TELEGRAM FROM GEN GROVES TO C/S GEN MARSHALL STATING US READY DROP THIRD A-BOMB ON JAPAN AUG 17. DOCUMENT

DECLASSIFIED 1973, SENT HIROSHIMA BY NARS. TARGET UNIDENTIFIED, BUT THOUGHT MIGHT HAVE BEEN KOKURA, OR NIIGATA (REUTER, HIROSHIMA; AFP, WP).

HELEN BENTLEY SAID THURSDAY, IN RESPONSE CRITICISM FROM TOKYO, LACK OF US-JAPAN SHIPPING TALKS JAPANESE OWN FAULT, UNRELATED HER RESIGNATION FROM FMC. SAID HER EFFORTS ARRANGE TALKS REBUFFED THREE TIMES, BECAUSE DIET IN SESSION, NO MINISTER, AND AFTER ONE NAMED BECAUSE JAPANESE SAID NOT SURE HOW LONG HE WOULD REMAIN IN OFFICE (JOC, WASHINGTON).

CULLISON (JOC) SAYS MOT TUESDAY DISCLOSED SEEKING 945 MILLION DOL LOANS FROM JAPAN EX-IM BANK FOR NATION'S SHIPBUILDERS IN JFY 76 BUDGET. CITES SHIPBUILDERS SAYING WOULD NOT USE MONEY BUILD TANKERS; INSTEAD UNCLASSIFIED

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FAVOR TRAMPERS OF "PANAMAX TYPE."

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

8. INDOCHINA

IN CONFESSION OF SERIES OF ERRORS PRINTED IN HIS COLUMNS, NYT'S WICKER INCLUDES QUOTE FROM ACCURACY IN MEDIA THAT NO EVIDENCE CIA INVOLVED IN SIHANOUK OVERTHROW; WICKER HAD EARLIER URGED SENATE INVESTIGATION CIA ROLE IN EVENT.

9. KOREA

KOREAN INFO OFFICE, STOCKHOLM, PLACES FULL PAGE AD IN NYT, GIVING TEXT OF KIM IL-SUNG INTERVIEW IN NOUOKCHOTT, MAY 31, BY AFP CORRESPONDENT JEAN-CHRISTOPHE MITTERAND. KIM REPEATS LINE THAT ONLY "NATURAL" VALIANT INDOCHINESE DEFEATED US IMPERIALISTS. STATES US NOW TALKING "NONSENSE" TO COVER "SHAMEFUL PLIGHT." CHARGES US OCCUPIES SK BY FORCE 30 YEARS. STATES DPRK PROPOSED IN LETTER TO CONGRESS THAT ARMISTICE BE REPLACED BY

PEACE AGREEMENT, BUT US NEVER REPLIED -- INSTEAD
US INSTIGATES SK TO ACT IN CONTRAVENTION N-S JOINT
STATEMENT TO KEEP HOLD ON SK" AS ITS MILITARY BASE,
COMMODITY MARKET AND COLONY." ALLEGES GOJWORKING
"HAND-IN-GLOVE" WITH US IN "TWO KOREAS" PLOT. STATES
NK WOULD NOT IMPOSE COMMUNISM ON SK, INSTEAD PROPOSES
CONFEDERATION THAT MAINTAINS EXISTING SYSTEMS, TO REALIZE
COLLABORATION BETWEEN NK, SK TO ACHIEVE REUNIFICATION.

10. JAPAN

CSM'S OKA IN TOKYO NOTES PM MIKI LOOKING FORWARD TO
CREATIVE DISCUSSIONS" WITH PRES NEXT WEEK ON HOW
PROMOTE PEACE, STABILITY IN ASIA, PREVENT MILITARY
CONFLICT IN KOREA. MIKI SAID IN INTERVIEW WANTS BREAK
OUT OF PATTERN OF PLATITUDES ABOUT PEACE, FRIENDSHIP
THAT CHARACTERIZED "PAST PILGRIMAGES" TO WASHINGTON
BY PREDECESSORS (USIA WIRELESS FILE). INGERSOLL

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